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SUBJECT: R/V IDA GREEN CLEARANCE REQUEST, 10 MAY - 16 JUNE
1978

1. R/V IDA GREEN, A PRIVATE VESSEL OPERATED BY THE MARINE
SCIENCE INSTITUTE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AND FUNDED
BY THE NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION, IS PLANNING TO CONDUCT
A RESEARCH CRUISE OFF THE WEST COASTS OF MEXICO AND
CENTRAL AMERICA. THE PURPOSE OF THE CRUISE IS TO CONDUCT
DETAILED GEOPHYSICAL INVESTIGATIONS AT SELECTED LOCATIONS
TO DETERMINE THE STRUCTURE OF THE SEDIMENTS AND OCEANIC
CRUST. THIS DATA WILL BE USED TO HELP SELECT SPECIFIC
DRILL SITES FOR THE GLOMAR CHALLENGER CRUISE PLANNED
FOR 1979. IT IS IMPORTANT TO SELECT DRILL SITES THAT
ARE REMOTE FROM AREAS WHERE HYDROCARBON DEPOSITS MAY BE
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LOCATED. THIS WILL HELP PREVENT ACCIDENTAL OIL SEEPAGE
INTO THE WATER COLUMN AND WILL YIELD SCIENTIFICALLY
BETTER DATA.

2.A. THE RESEARCH WILL CONSIST OF SEISMIC REFLECTION
PROFILING AND OCEAN BOTTOM SEISMOMETER REFRACTION STUDIES.

MAGNETIC AND GRAVITY MEASUREMENTS WILL BE TAKEN AS WELL AS DREDGE AND CORE SAMPLES.

B. THE SEISMIC RESEARCH WILL CONSIST OF COMMON-DEPTH-POINT SEISMIC REFLECTION PROFILES RECORDED ON A 48 CHANNEL SYSTEM. REFRACTION PROFILES WILL BE OBTAINED BY USING THE OBS'S IN CONJUNCTION WITH 5-10 POUND EXPLOSIVE CHARGES. MAGNETOMETERS, GRAVITIMETERS, AND DEEP SEA CORERS AND DREDGES WILL BE USED.

3. THE CHIEF SCIENTISTS ARE DRS. C.A. BURK AND J. LAMAR WORZEL (DIRECTOR) OF THE MARINE SCIENCE INSTITUTE. DEPT. UNDERSTANDS THAT THE UNIVERSITY OF MEXICO AND PEMEX ARE COOPERATING IN THIS PROJECT BUT WE ARE NOT

SURE TO WHAT EXTENT. TWO BERTHS ARE AVAILABLE FOR FOREIGN PARTICIPANTS AND ALL DATA RESULTS WILL BE FREELY SHARED.

4. SHIP'S ITINERARY FOLLOWS:

ACAJUTLA, EL SALVADOR - 5/17 - 5/20
ACAPULCO, MEXICO - 5/30 - 6/2
PUNTA ARENAS, COSTA RICA - 6/11 - 6/14

A SHIP'S TRACK IS BEING PLOTTED WITH AREAS OF OPERATION
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HIGHLIGHTED BY YELLOW MARKING. PORT CALLS WILL BE ARRANGED BY SHIPPING AGENTS.

5. IDA GREEN IS 198 GROSS TONS, 129 FT. LONG AND HAS A 10 FT. DRAFT. SHIP'S CAPTAIN IS OTIS MURRAY WITH A CREW OF 7 AND SCIENTIFIC PARTY OF 10. RADIO CALL SIGN IS WV 2229 AND SHIP MONITORS EMERGENCY RADIO FREQUENCIES.

6. ACTION: EMBASSIES ARE REQUESTED TO SEEK PERMISSION FOR THE R/V IDA GREEN TO CONDUCT MARINE SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH ON THE CONTINENTAL SHELVES OF COSTA RICA, GUATEMALA, AND MEXICO DURING THE PERIOD 10 MAY - 16 JUNE 1978. EMBASSIES ARE ALSO REQUESTED TO HAVE THE FOREIGN MINISTRIES PROVIDE WRITTEN NOTIFICATION, IF THE RESEARCH IS APPROVED, SO THAT COPIES MAY BE PROVIDED TO SHIP'S CAPTAIN BEFORE DEPARTURE. VANCE

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